
DONNYBROOK DHS

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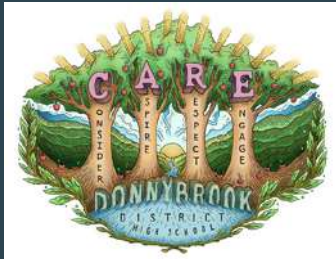
Homecoming

After their workshop day at Memorial Park, the Year 10 students returned to a warm welcome from the entire school community. We held a heartfelt homecoming ceremony for Year 10 students and their parents, facilitated by AdventureWorks. This event fostered meaningful discussions about how parents can support their children as they transition into adulthood. It was truly inspiring to witness the strong bond between parents and their children during this special occasion.



We respectfully acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People as the traditional custodians of the land upon which we meet and learn on.

We pay our respects to the Elders of the past, present and future and acknowledge their connections to country, sea and water ways.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

James Milne



Welcome back to the last term of the 2024 school year. Term 4 is traditionally jam packed for students, staff and parents and carers, and this year is shaping up to be equally as busy. Our Calendar has been updated and highlights what is ahead in these final weeks of the year. Please take note of the events that are relevant to you and your child/ren and mark these in your diary. Also keep an eye out on our Facebook Group for the 'Weekly Reminders', as events are continually added and updated.

Towards the end of last term and in these initial few weeks of Term 4, we have enrolled several new students. Importantly they have settled in well to their new school and classes and are being made to feel very welcomed by our caring students. I look forward to supporting them in their transition and ensuring they quickly become focused on their learning.

On that note I am urging all students to commit to their learning and make a conscious effort throughout the remaining weeks to make certain they are achieving at their full potential. The students need to make their class work a priority when at school, and if required complete any homework and assignments that are given. Parents and carers please reinforce this message at home and importantly work in partnership with the teachers to make certain your child/ren are striving to improve. Term 4 is a crucial period of schooling as concepts need to be consolidated in preparation for the following year.

In these next couple of weeks, classroom and specialist teachers will commence their final assessment. Results within the assessments are crucial in supporting the allocation of appropriate grades and the demonstration of progress and achievement. Please provide your child/ren with the encouragement and support they need. Semester 2 Reports will be distributed to parents at the beginning of Week 10.

I would also ask that parents and carers are mindful of the time their child/ren are absent from school. Attendance of 90% and above is required to minimise disruption to learning. Thank you in anticipation of your support in this area.

2025 Structure and Programs

Planning around next year is continuing and further information on class structures and programs will be made available to parents and carers in our next newsletter. I am aware that this is always eagerly awaited, so as soon as this is finalised, we will disseminate this information to the school community.

In preparation for 2025, our recruitment processes across the Junior Campus and Senior Campus have been hugely successful. I look forward to introducing our newly appointed staff in the coming weeks, so please keep an eye out for this on Facebook. With increasing student numbers on both campuses, additional learning environments are required. Most notable works include the transformation of the old demountable into another classroom and the development of a designated Digital Technologies room in the Junior Campus Library. The school has invested significant funding in refurbishments, furniture and technology equipment.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued

If you would like to meet with Fiona Hunter or I to discuss 2025, you are more than welcome to call and arrange a mutually convenient time.

Public School Review

I'm pleased to advise the school community that the outcome of our Public School Review is now available for parents and carers and the broader community to read. This can be found on our school website; www.donnybrook.wa.edu.au

The efforts of our staff in creating the conditions to support success are widely acknowledged within the report. Our focus on student wellbeing and commitment to social and emotional learning, is making a difference. The strong collaborative culture throughout both the Junior Campus and Senior Campus, together with the delivery of explicit evidence-based programs is testament to the work of our staff. I congratulate our staff on the outstanding results within this report and thank our parents and carers and broader community for their ongoing support.

I sincerely hope you take the time to engage with the report as it really does provide a great insight into our work, together with focus areas we have identified for 2025 and beyond.

WORLD TEACHER'S DAY



A P P R E C I A T I O N





Lauren Brown
Deputy Principal

JUNIOR CAMPUS NEWS

Alex Gibson
Deputy Principal



Swimming Lessons

Swimming has been a highlight of Term 4 so far, with all classes from Pre-Primary to Year 6 participating. Students have made wise choices, representing our school with pride when out in the community. We would like to congratulate all students and staff for the incredible resilience they have shown over the last four weeks.



AdventureWorks

The AdventureWorks team visited again in Week 2 to work with our Upper Primary students on developing their social and emotional skills. It has been fantastic to see how far they have come on their learning journey this year.

The Year 1s from Mrs Halley and Mrs Turnbull's class reminded us all how to be a great friend during their first ever assembly. Their beautiful singing voices shone through in their rendition of "Count on Me" by Bruno Mars.

Robotics Competition

On Thursday 24 October Kairi, Oscar, Lacey and Ivy took the robots they made to the Interschool Vex Robotics Competition in Manjimup. Students came away with lots of new ideas and ways to improve their robots for next year's competition.

Bandana Day

Tomorrow the school will once again be supporting Bandana Day where students are encouraged to wear their favourite bandana to school to help support Canteen. At the Junior Campus we will also be holding a mini tabloid sports carnival in the afternoon for all students with their Good Standing.



Focus: "We Demonstrate a Positive Attitude"

Focus:
“We are kind & considerate”

SENIOR CAMPUS NEWS

Fiona Hunter
Associate Principal



Welcome to the last term of what has been a fantastic year. The Senior Campus is very busy preparing to welcome our new Year 6 students into our school while also preparing to sadly exit our Year 10 students onto their final stage of their formal schooling. The students grow and change so much over the time between Year 6 and Year 10. It is privilege to share their journey while we watch these young people mature and find their way in the world.

Term 4 is a time when we complete our teaching and learning programs. We take the time to look back and reflect on the year that has been. We spend lots of time assessing the progress and growth the students have made academically, socially and behaviourally across the school. The school requires students to complete whole school assessments in writing, reading, spelling, mathematics, science and social and emotional well-being. We use this testing to assess our growth as a school and plan for further improvements still to come.

Congratulations to the students who have completed their OLNA testing this term. OLNA is a requirement of the WACE certificate, a student receives when they graduate formal schooling in Year 12. Achieving OLNA in Year 10 is an excellent way to advance your senior school career.

To provide balance, the AdventureWorks team help the students to have fun and learn how to work as a team. These days of fun activities grow the bonds of teamwork between the students which transfer into the classroom environment helping students to work together.



SENIOR CAMPUS NEWS

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT continued

Mrs Rachael Torrence has been working at our school this term as our Mathematics specialist. She is a Mathematics and Science teacher and has been travelling Australia with her family. She will be working at our school for the remainder of the year and possibly next year also. She has been working with the Year 8 STEM class and they are producing some fabulous rollercoasters made from different materials. Bryce has made an excellent dinosaur rollercoaster.



Year 9/10 CCT classes are creating murals for the school as their current project. Mrs Ferguson has been busy helping students design and create murals that will make our school even more beautiful. It is not an easy job to wrangle some of these budding artists. I am pretty sure there is more paint on the students than the wall at present. However, we cannot wait to see how they look!



The Senior Campus is currently choosing the Student Representatives for 2025. We would like to thank every student who applied and for the time and effort they have put into this process. It is a very brave thing to do. We wish you all the best of luck in the process!



A big thankyou to the 2024 SRC for the outstanding job they have done this year. They have been an exceptional team, and it has been a pleasure to work with them.

The Year 6 Transition Day will take place on Wednesday, 27 November on the Senior Campus. Students will arrive at the Senior Campus at the beginning of the day and will experience a range of subjects including English, Science and HASS lessons that will help give some experience of life at the school. The students will move around the school from classroom-to-classroom practising being in high school. At recess, they will play in the playground and mingle with the other students. After lunch they will experience their normal option classes. This is an important day for the students.

Please feel free contact the Senior Campus if you would like to discuss your child going into Yr 7 in 2025. We would love to meet all our new parents!



Megan Kremer
Deputy Principal

SENIOR CAMPUS NEWS



Rebecca Smedley
Deputy Principal

As we approach the end of the year, we have a full calendar of events lined up, particularly with preparations for the Year 10 graduation and Year 7 transition in full swing. Regular attendance is essential for student success, especially during this busy time. We encourage all families to prioritize consistent attendance until the last day of school to ensure that students fully benefit from their learning opportunities.

AdventureWorks

This term, our students have participated in their final AdventureWorks workshops of the year, focusing on team building, problem solving, building a growth mindset and effective communication. These workshops provide invaluable skills that are essential as students prepare for their future.



OLNA

A big congratulations to all the students who have completed their OLNA testing as part of meeting their WACE requirements! It was wonderful to see students reflecting on their feedback before diving into their assessments. This kind of engagement demonstrates their commitment to personal growth and academic success.

PBS

Our current PBS focus is “We are Kind and Considerate.” Through explicit health lessons and reinforcement throughout the school with common language, we encourage our students to reflect on how they treat others. It’s heartwarming to witness the kindness of our school community, and we are proud to have such thoughtful students. Some ways we are kind and considerate to others are:

- Helping others
- Holding a door open for someone
- Greeting peers and staff
- Sharing resources
- Respecting the opinions and differences of others

Let’s continue to foster a culture of kindness and support within our school community!

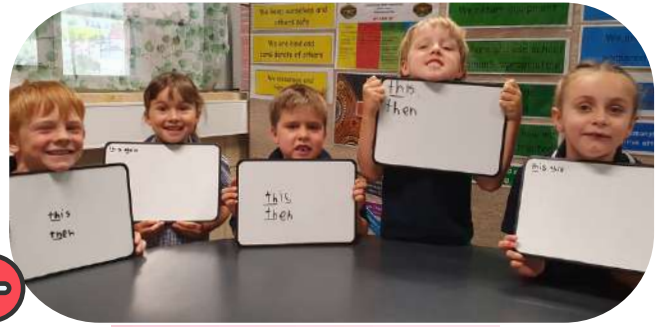


MiniLit & MacqLit

In MiniLit during Semester 2 we have been working hard on our sight words and digraphs. The MacqLit students have been working all semester on their fluency when reading and also mastering split digraphs and suffixes.



Miley, Kennedy, Joseph and Cohen



Bryce, Evalee, Tate, Levi and Luca



Harley, Bailey, Hazel and Billy



Max, Marie, Zavial, Hazel and Livy



Hudson, Kobe, Kobee, Kyira and Reece



Edward, Isaac, Chayse, Cyrus and Cooper

MUSIC NOTES

We have dived into preparations for a jam-packed term of performances for the DDHS music students, beginning with a Combined-Schools Primary Tour in Week 7. Both the Concert Band and Rock Band are excited to share their music with the Junior Campus students... Parents are welcome to come along and listen! Expressions of interest have been sent out and testing will soon be underway for the Year 4s to begin confirming our 2025 Instrumental Music classes. We are looking forward to a busy and wonderful couple of months of music making with our fantastic music students!

Mackenzie King
(she/her)
Instrumental Music Teacher
Instrumental Music School Services





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of the Week
Karak
(Red-Tailed Black
Cockatoo)

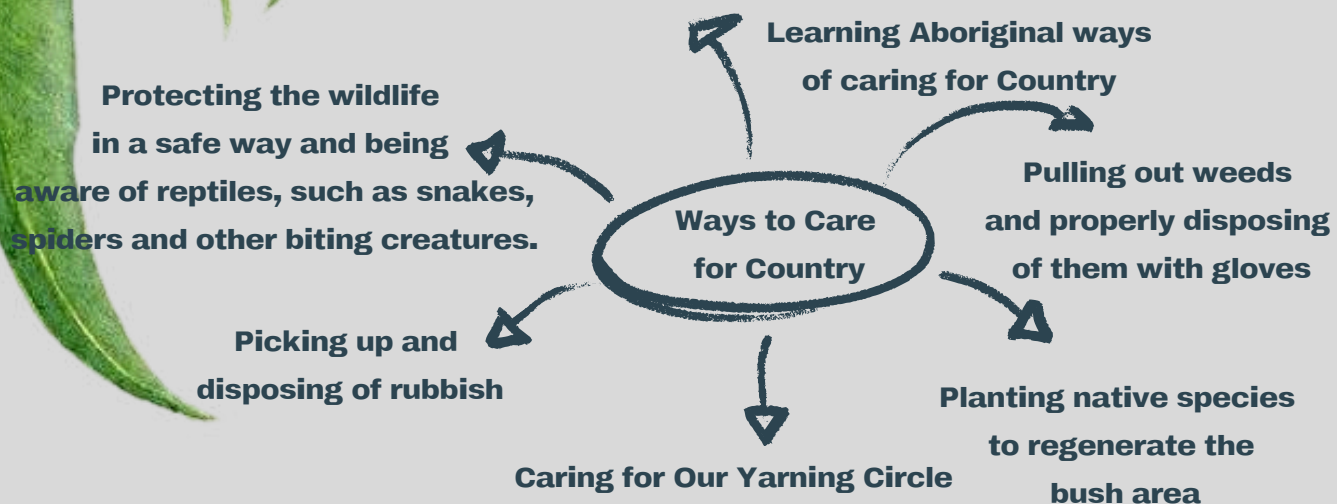
Wendy Mountford
Aboriginal Education Advisor



BOODJA RANGERS

Donnybrook District High School sits proudly on Noongar Boodja (Country). Our Junior Campus students are becoming increasingly aware of the importance of caring for Country as we focus on the importance of sustainability in our teaching and learning environments. Integral to this focus is and how we can learn from Aboriginal practices to enrich our knowledge and connection to Boodja.

Recently, Hudson Clifford, Elliot Behan and Zennon Matthews approached Mr Milne to express their desire to 'look after the school grounds'. This was met with great enthusiasm and these Year 3 students were then invited to collaborate with Miss T and Mrs Mountford on how they could care for Country. We brainstormed their ideas (as seen below). This planning will form the foundation for creating a student led PowerPoint presentation to be used to educate our students and community.





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BOODJA RANGERS



Hudson Clifford, Elliot Behan and Zennon Matthews



Congratulations to our Boodja Rangers who were each
presented with the badge pictured above.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

How to be a good friend

If we could all just get along and be friendly to each other wouldn't the world be a much better place?

Of course we don't all have to be besties, but just good ole fashion friendliness would make a huge difference.

Building solid friendships that last seems to be a bit of a lost art for kids these days, however we can teach our children the fundamentals of how to be a good friend.

You can help by reminding your children to;

- Be happy for their friends when they succeed
- Being there for their friends when they are upset
- Always show kindness and respect
- Be the one to include those kids who hang back or are left out
- Teach your children they can have multiple 'best friends'
- Only speak and text well of others - if they wouldn't want it printed in the local paper, don't say or text it!

Kids need solid friendships at school.

It increases their self-worth, contributes to their overall happiness and, it encourages them to keep striving and being their true selves.

The best example we can be to our children is to be a great friend too, so let's show them how.



EMBRACE, KIDS

FILM SCREENING &
PARENT SESSION

FILLED WITH FUN AND JOY, EMBRACE KIDS IS AN ENERGETIC MIX OF ANIMATION, LIVE ACTION, INTERVIEWS, MUSIC AND MORE. THE FILM EXPLORES THE RELATIONSHIP CHILDREN HAVE WITH THEIR BODIES AND COVERS TOPICS INCLUDING SOCIAL MEDIA, DISABILITY, GENDER IDENTITY, REPRESENTATION AND DIVERSITY. THIS POWERFUL FILM SPARKS A CONVERSATION THAT WILL TRANSFORM THE WAY YOUNG PEOPLE THINK ABOUT THEIR BODIES AND EMPOWER THEM TO CREATE CHANGE - IN THEMSELVES AND FOR OTHERS.

JOIN US FOR A PARENT COMMUNITY SCREENING OF EMBRACE KIDS - ESSENTIAL VIEWING FOR PARENTS WHO WANT TO SUPPORT KIDS OF ANY AGE IN MAINTAINING POSITIVE SELF IMAGE IN A WORLD WHERE MANY MESSAGES ARE THROWN THEIR WAY.

YOU WILL RECEIVE A PARENT SUPPORT PACK AND WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN A POST SCREENING Q&A SUPPORT SESSION.

HOSTED BY BUNBURY'S NEWEST EVENT SPACE, THE BEAUTIFUL OLD LYRIC, YOU'LL ENJOY A NIGHT OUT WITH A GOURMET MEZE GRAZING PLATTER (INCLUDED) AND DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.

7PM TUESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2024

\$23 OR \$85 FOR 4 + BF

THE OLD LYRIC, VICTORIA ST BUNBURY

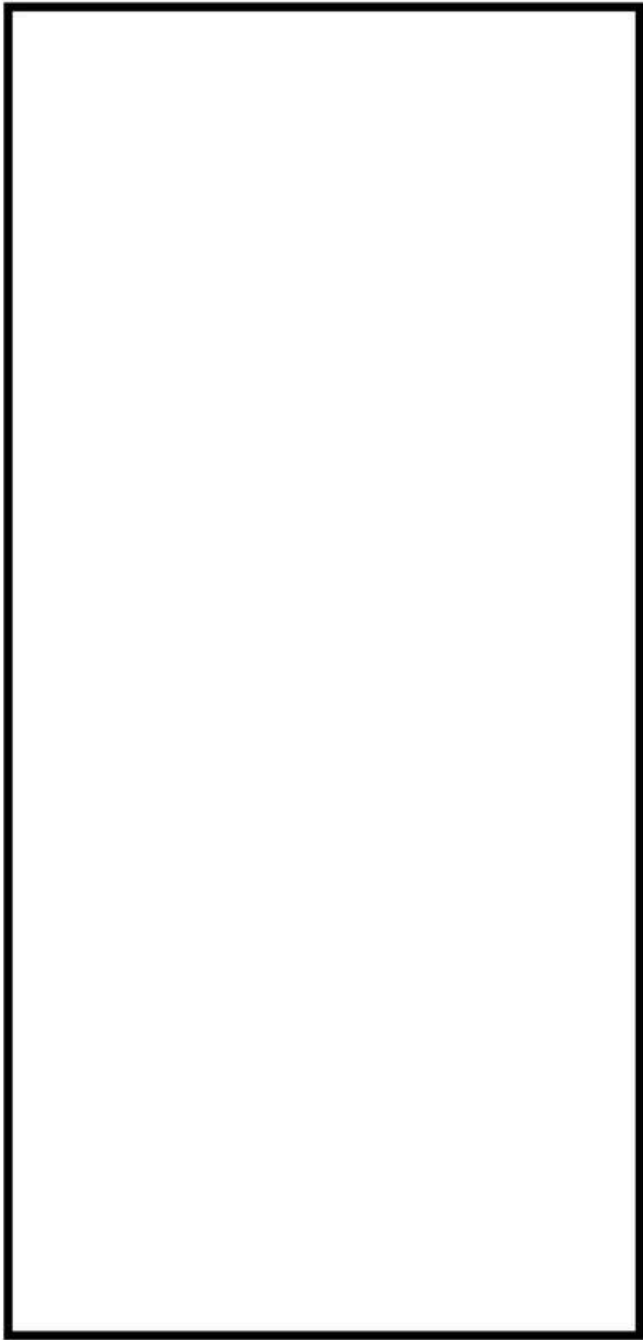
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IF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES BUT WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND PLEASE CONTACT ORGANISERS TO DISCUSS OPTIONS



Christmas Card Artwork Competition



Open to school students | Competition closes Sunday 3 November, 2024

You are invited to submit Christmas themed artwork by Sunday **3 November 2024**

A design will be chosen for the cover of Jodie Hanns' office Christmas cards. The winning artist and two runners-up will each receive a prize.

For enquiries, please contact Jodie Hanns' office on 9734 2073.

ARTISTS NAME:	_____
AGE:	_____
PARENT NAME:	_____
PARENT MOBILE:	_____
PARENT EMAIL:	_____

BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS Babies Program

FREE

Do you have a new baby?

Looking to mix with other parents who have babies of the same age?

Wanting to know how you can be the best parent for you baby?

FREE tools and resources available



Come along for 2 hours of fun, learning about how your baby develops in the first 1000 days and become a reflective parent

WHEN: Thursdays - 24th & 31st of October,
and 7th, 21st & 28th of November 9-11am
(PLEASE NOTE: No workshop on the 14th of November)

WHERE: CHILD AND PARENT CENTRE - COLLIE VALLEY,
6 CABLE ST COLLIE

*Please call **08 97343364** to book your spot*

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Child and Parent Centre
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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Relationship Education: Online Term 4: October-December 2024

Online*	Date	Time	Cost
Understanding Angry Emotions	Wed 9 Oct	6.15pm-9pm	\$30
Managing Anger and Stress for Women 4wks	Tues 15 Oct-5 Nov	6.15pm-9pm	\$95
Bringing Up Great Kids 5wks	Tues 22 Oct-19 Nov	6.15pm-9pm	\$75
Setting Healthy Boundaries	Wed 23 Oct	6.15pm-9pm	\$30
Introduction to Managing Anger-For Men 4wks	Thur 7-28 Nov	6.15pm-9pm	\$95
Express Yourself Assertively	Wed 13 Nov	6.15pm-9pm	\$30
Stronger Stepfamilies: An Introduction	Thur 14 Nov	6.15pm-9pm	\$30
Dads and Daughters	Thur 21 Nov	6.15pm-9pm	\$30
Supporting Your Anxious Child	Tues 26 Nov	9.30am-12.15pm	\$30
Emotion Coaching Your Child	Thur 28 Nov	6.15pm-9pm	\$30
Stress Less	Tues 3 Dec	6.15pm-9pm	\$30
Healthy Conflict	Wed 4 Dec	6.15pm-9pm	\$30
Fathering After Separation	Thur 5 Dec	6.15pm-9pm	\$30

*These courses are delivered and attended online via Zoom. Please see website for information on how to attend our online courses.

Bookings, registrations and payment prior to the session are required.

For more information about our courses and workshops, please call 6164 0566 or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au

Course Location

- Bunbury Family Relationship Centre,
Corner of Molloy & Symmons Streets,
Access Symmons Street side of the building.
- Online - via Zoom platform



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2024 CALENDAR - TERM 4

2024

Term Four

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
4	28 Oct OLNA Interm Swimming Lessons	29 OLNA	30 OLNA EARLY CLOSE	31 OLNA Newsletter	1 Nov OLNA Bandanna Day Jnr Campus Tabloid Carnival	2 EV Challenge Wanneroo	3
5	4 Nov Jnr Campus NAIDOC Celebrations	5 Jnr Campus NAIDOC Celebrations	6 EARLY CLOSE 2025 Kindy Parent Meeting 5:00pm	7	8	9	10
6	11 Nov Snr Campus Remembrance Day Snr Campus NAIDOC Celebrations	12 Snr Campus NAIDOC Celebrations	13 Assembly 5/6FW 2025 Kindy 2 Orientation Day 1:00-2:30PM EARLY CLOSE	14 2025 Kindy 1 Orientation Day 1:00-2:30PM	15 Primary Interscholar Basketball Competition	16	17
7	18 Nov Book Fair Jnr Campus Kindy 1 NAIDOC Celebrations	19 Kindy 2 NAIDOC Celebrations	20 Swimming Carnival Years 4-10 EARLY CLOSE	21 Jnr Campus Band Performance 9:00am - 10:00am	22 Snr Campus Assembly	23	24
8	25 Nov	26 Year 9 Maths Empowering Excursion Perth	27 Year 6 Transition Day 2025 Year 6 Student Leadership Speeches EARLY CLOSE	28 Newsletter Board Meeting 4:30pm Simply MAD Concert	29 P&C-Crazy Hair Day Gold Coin Donation	30	1 Dec
9	2 Dec Kindy 1 Celebration 9:00am	3 Kindy 2 Celebration 9:00am	4 Assembly 1JA/CH EARLY CLOSE	5	6 Year 10 End of Yr Excursion Year 6 Excursion & Lunch P&C - "A Christmas on the Green"	7	8
10	9 Dec Kindy 1 Class Party Band set up and Pizza lunch - Hall	10 Kindy 2 Class Party Year 4-8 Presentation Assembly 9:30am Year 10 Graduation Evening 4:30pm & Cruise 6:30-8:30pm	11 Snr Campus PBS Rewards Day EARLY CLOSE	12 Students last day.	13 Teachers last day. School Development Day	14	15
H	16 Dec	17	18	19	20	21	22
H	23 Dec	24	25 Xmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29

Start and End of Term Public Holidays School Holidays (students) School Development Days